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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

APPARATUS FOR OPTICAL SCANNING OF MULTIPLE SPECIMENS

the specification of which

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Germany	DE 199 57 413.8	November 29, 1999	X Yes No
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